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SUBJECT: RIYADH SUMMIT ON THE MAGHREB

1. SAUID NEWSPAPERS HAVE HEADLINED REPORTS DATELINED UPI
CAIRO THAT A RIYADH MINI-SUMMIT ON THE ALGERIAN-MOROCCAN
BORDER DISPUTE IS FORTHCOMING BETWEEN HASSAN AND BOUMEDIENNE.
SAUDI ARABIC-LANGUAGE PAPERS OMITTED MENTION OF PARTICIPATION
IN THIS CONFERENCE BY OTHER PARTIES, THOUGH ENGLISH-LANGUAGE
PAPERS QUOTING ORIGINAL UPI TEXT NAMED MAURITANIA, EGYPT
AND SYRIA AS CO-CONFEREES.

2. A FRONT-PAGE EDITORIAL IN LEADING SAUDI NEWSPAPER UKAZ
NAMED MAIN ISSUE OF CONFERENCE TO BE ALGERIAN RIGHTS TO A
CORRIDOR FOR TRANSPORTING IRON ORE FROM TENDOT REGION TO
AN ATLANTIC PORT. EDITORIAL STATED MOROCCAN AGREEMENT TO
SUCH A CORRIDOR PROVIDED THAT MUTUAL BORDER TREATY OF 1961
BE RESPECTED.

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3. NO DATE FOR THE CONFERENCE WAS MENTIONED.

4. WE UNABLE COMMENT ON RELIABILITY OF UPI CAIRO. UKAZ
HAS A SPOTTY REPUTATION FOR RELIABILITY BUT OCCASIONALLY
SEEMS HAVE ACCESS TO INSIDE INFORMATION.

5. LOCAL SPANISH SOURCE WHO FOLLOWS MAGHREB AFFAIR CLOSELY
EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT SUCH MINI-SUMMIT WOULD
TAKE PLACE ANYWHERE. HE DID AGREE THAT ASUDIS WOULD
PROBABLY BE PLEASED TO HOST ONE TO REINFORCE THEIR GROWING
ROLE OF PEACEMAKERS.
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